What is Kanopy?

Offering what the New York Times calls “a garden of cinematic delights,” Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world’s best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema with collections from Kino Lorber, Music Box Films, Samuel Goldwyn, The Orchard, The Great Courses, PBS and thousands of independent filmmakers.

Kanopy is also compatible for hearing- (with captions and transcripts) and visually-impaired patrons (compatible with technologies such as JAWS). Kanopy is free for users with a library card; all users need to do to get started streaming films is to visit [insert custom VP URL].

With the motto of “thoughtful entertainment,” Kanopy provides [library name] patrons with access to films of unique social and cultural value; films that are often difficult or impossible to access elsewhere, and programming that features diversity, with a wide array of foreign language films and films on race, and current affairs.

Setting up your account

1. From the Library homepage click the Kanopy link, or enter www.woodburylibraryct.org/kanopy into your browser address bar.

2. Choose the “continue” button and choose sign up in the top right of the screen.

3. You will be prompted to create your account fill put the form and click “Sign up”.

4. You will receive an email shortly, follow the link contained in the email to enter you Library card number and begin browsing.
Accessing Kanopy

Kanopy is available for download as an app on all major devices and streaming players. Search for it in the Appstore, Google Play store and on Roku and Apple TV.

Viewing on Kanopy

Once you find a film you would like to view, scroll over the image and select “Watch”. You will be brought to that film’s details page. From there you can click on the play button to begin watching.

You are able to view up to 10 films per month. Once you hit play on a film, you will have 3 days to view it as many times as you like without using another play credit.

Your 20 play credits will reset on the 1st of each month. Once you have used your 10 credits, you will not be able to play any films until the 1st day of the new month when your 10 credits will be refreshed. You can view your play credits for the month inside the orange circle in the top right hand corner of the website.

You can use Kanopy on your desktop or mobile device, and can also access your account through your Roku to stream to your television. Kanopy is a streaming service and you will need internet access to watch films.

User profile

Click on your name in the top right hand corner of the website to view your user profile options or to log out. From this menu you can access your user dashboard, watchlists, recently viewed films, comments, or playlists.

From your user dashboard you can edit your profile information including your email address, password, and library card information.

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